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WAIWERA SOUTH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Waiwera Wee Ones & Juniors DISCO



Waiwera Wee Ones had a disco this week, and the Juniors decided to join in on the fun, to show off their groovy moves. Noah Harris and his class mates were dancing up a storm.



Kei kā kupa mai i te tumuaki

Kia ora koutou katoa,

"Kai te pēhea tō koutou hararei?" How was your holiday? I hope you all enjoyed a fantastic break, creating many wonderful memories with your whānau. It's great to welcome the tamariki back, they have settled straight back into their learning.

This term we continue to have Mark, our kaimahi āwhina/ counsellor visiting our kura. If you would like your child to spend some time with him, please send me a message and I can send you the link for the referral.

This Wednesday, the SMiddle Class are off to the beach to conduct various surveys. On Thursday they will be busy analysing their data and exploring the science behind their information with Hannah Drury from the Otago University and Scott-Enviroschools. This will be a wonderful continuation of the statistics unit we completed in maths last term, providing a real-world application of their learning.

Our overarching theme for this term is around kitchen science and the changes of state. We're looking forward to some engaging and delicious learning experiences!

Please do take note that there are a few non-school days this term, so make sure you check ahead on the term calendar to keep track of all the upcoming events.

On Friday it's hot lunch day, and this week is sausage rolls! If you haven't placed your order yet, check your emails, Cindy sent out the link last week.

To ensure we are all looking smart and unified, please can you make sure that any shorts and trackpants worn are part of our school uniform and don't have large or non-school-related labels. Our uniform is a great way of showing school pride. Please can you ensure all uniform items are clearly marked with your child's ingoa/name. With the cooler mornings upon us, clearly labelled extra layers are appreciated. Fingers crossed, though, it looks like we have some more sunny days ahead!

Finally, we have a fantastic fundraising initiative from Parents Plus underway featuring Pepper and Me products. An impressive 20% of all sales goes directly to Parents Plus, and the products are delivered straight to the purchaser. Please share the link far and wide with all your contacts. It's a great product and an easy way to support our tamariki and their learning.

Have a wonderful week everyone!

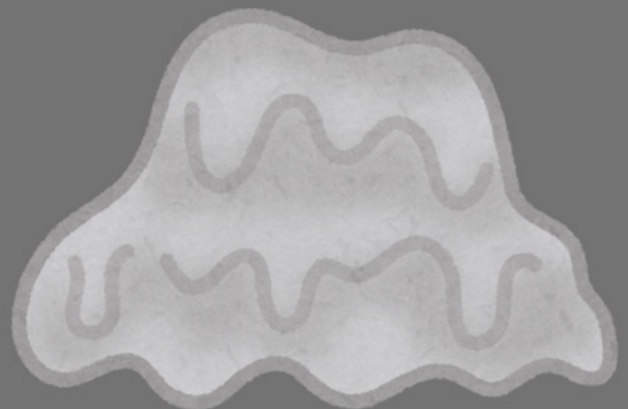
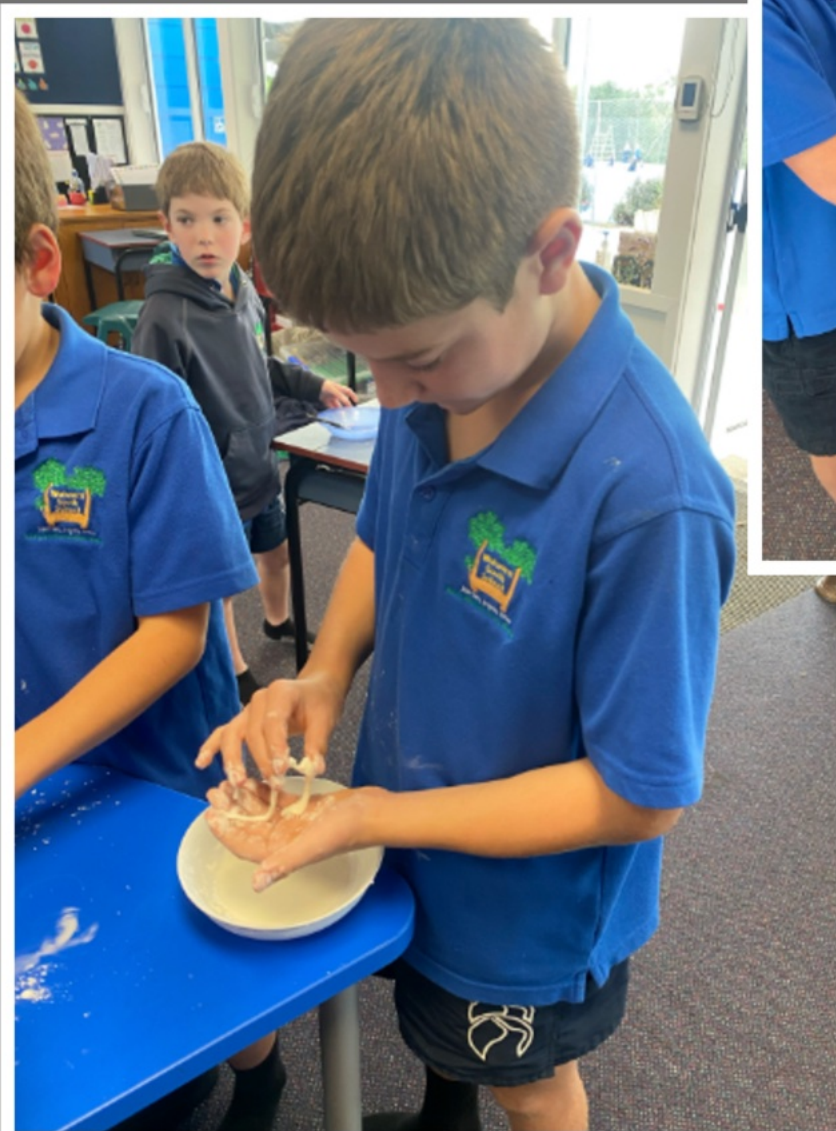
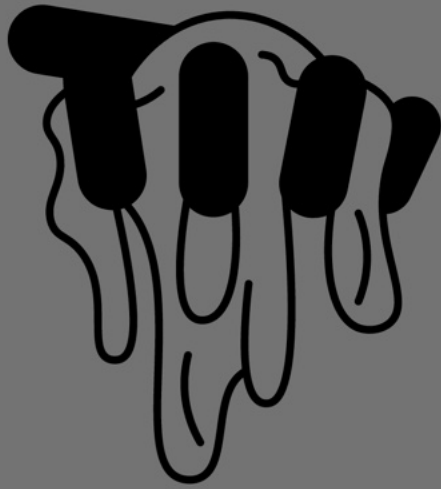
Kā manaakitanga,
Kaz Bissett



Oobleck

Our inquiry topic this term is all about food science. We're exploring how food changes when it's heated, cooled, mixed, or melted and learning about changes of state like solid to liquid, and liquid to gas.

To explore how things change we made oobleck! Oobleck is a mix of cornflour and water. It looks like a liquid, but when you add pressure by touching or squeezing it, it acts like a solid. It was messy but fun and we discovered that oobleck is a non-Newtonian fluid — it doesn't follow the usual rules!



Descriptive Writing

Last week, we dove into the world of descriptive writing by using our senses to inspire vivid language. We smelled, touched, and tasted contrasting foods - zesty lemons and sweet, chewy pineapple lumps - to spark our imaginations. It was a fun (and sometimes sour!) way to explore the art of showing, not telling.



The zesty smell fills the air. It reminds me of a sweet lolly. It explodes in my mouth like yummy pineapple. It tastes juicy like an apple. The bomb of flavour fills my mouth.

Taylor



It looks like a very bright sunflower, but it feels very wrinkly and has a hard outside like a bowling ball. The insides are squishy and juicy.

It tastes like a fresh, zesty bomb flavour in my mouth.

Luke



WE MADE PLASTIC

We also made our own plastic using just milk and vinegar. When we added vinegar to warm milk, the liquid started to curdle and form lumps. After squishing and shaping it, we left it to dry – and it turned into a hard plastic. We learned that the reaction between the milk's protein (casein) and the vinegar causes a chemical change. It was a bit smelly but cool to see how everyday ingredients can turn into something completely new.



Happy Birthday

Ryan Miller
turns 11
on 10th May

 **entertainment**
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Parents Plus Fundraiser 1st - 23rd May 2025



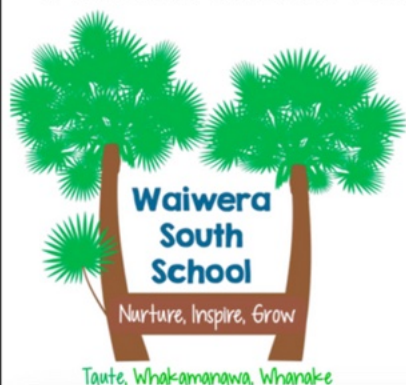
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HOT LUNCHES Term 2 - 2025

ALL HOT LUNCH ORDERS ARE DONE VIA GOOGLE FORMS

By now you should have received an email with a link to the hot lunches order form, please contact the office if you have not received this email.

**All payments go directly to the PARENTS PLUS Account
the account details are in the email.**

DATE	LUNCH	ROSTERED PARENT
9 th May	Sausage Rolls	Courtney Fletcher
23 rd May	Nachos	Katrina McKenzie
6 th June	Burgers	Larney Miller & Sandra Campbell
27 th June	Mac 'n' Cheese	Maara Woodhouse

UPCOMING EVENTS

Please Note: All events, dates and times are subject to change

Monday 28th April	First Day of Term 2
Thursday 1st May	Yr 7 & 8 Technology
Sunday 11th May	Mothers Day 🍷❤️
Tuesday 13th May	Sports Activator
Thursday 15th May	Yr 7 & 8 Technology
Friday 16th May	Pink Shirt Day 👑 - (Bring a gold coin donation, if possible) Assembly
Monday 19th May	Teacher Only Day - NO SCHOOL TODAY Board of Trustees meeting 7pm
Tuesday 20th May	Rippa Tournament (pp 22nd May)
Tuesday 27th May	Gymsport Festival
Thursday 29th May	Yr 7 & 8 Technology
Monday 2nd June	King's Birthday 👑 - NO SCHOOL TODAY
Tuesday 3rd June	Sports Activator
Friday 6th June	Assembly
Thursday 12th June	Yr 7 & 8 Technology
Tuesday 17th June	Yr 7 & 8 Hockey (pp 19th June)
Thursday 19th June	Matariki Festival - Puaka Matariki Iwikatea - Te Pou Mata-Au
Friday 20th June	Matariki - NO SCHOOL TODAY
Monday 23rd June	Jumping June 🐇 Board of Trustees Meeting 7pm
Tuesday 24th June	Sports Activator Yr 5 - 6 Hockey (pp 26th June)
Thursday 26th June	Yr 7 & 8 Technology
Friday 27th June	Harold The Giraffe 🦒 - Life Education Assembly

